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**Government Reform Subcommittee to
Address State of E-Government**

Who: Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census

What: Hearing on "Federal E-Government Initiatives: Are We Headed in the Right Direction?"

Where: 2154 Rayburn House Office Building

When: Tuesday, March 4, 2003, 10:00 a.m.

Witnesses: Mark Forman, Associate Director, Information Technology and Electronic Government, Office of Management and Budget
Joel Willemsen, Managing Director, Information Technology, U.S. General Accounting Office
David McClure, Vice President for E-Government, The Council for Excellence in Government
Leonard Pomata, President, webMethods

Background: This hearing will explore the progress and impediments to timely implementation of the E-Government Act of 2002.

The Act's purpose is to enhance access to government information and the delivery of information services to citizens, business partners, employees and other agencies. To meet this goal, the Act authorizes \$354 million over four years to implement a list of 24 specific E-Gov initiatives. The Act also assigns considerable influence to OMB to ensure information technology investments embrace a citizen-centered, cross-agency and performance-based strategy.

Furthermore, e-government should improve the ability of the Federal government to use technology, particularly Web-based Internet applications, to enhance access to government information and delivery of information and services to citizens, business partners, employees, other agencies and entities. At the same time e-government initiatives seek to make the Federal government itself more efficient, productive and cost-effective.

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